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Schuman on Board as Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs



As of August 16, 1995, Samuel Schuman began his tenure as the fourth vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and dean at the University of Minnesota, Morris. Schuman succeeds Elizabeth "Bettina" Blake, who resigned from the position at the end of the 1994-95 academic year.

"We have made an appointment that will be praised in many key circles in higher education," said UMM Chan-

cellor David Johnson. "His colleagues with whom I have talked describe him as a sensitive, fair and witty person, a talented teacher, a gifted dean at Guilford, a national leader in the honors program movement. I know that he will continue the academic leadership Bettina has provided."

Schuman previously served as chancellor and professor of literature and language at the University of North Carolina, Asheville, from 1991-94. He received his bachelor's degree from Grinnell College in 1964, his master's in 1966 from San Francisco State University, and his doctorate in 1969 from Northwestern University.

For ten years, from 1981 to 1991, Schuman served as chief academic officer at Guilford College in Greensboro, N.C. Guilford is a small, selective private liberal arts college, with a Quaker affiliation. Before going to North Carolina, he was a

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Oto New Director of Admissions and Financial Aid

There is an adage known among admissions personnel in academe that maintains "Great graduating classes start in the admissions office." Upholding UMM's standard through the admissions process now falls to Rodney Oto, newly-appointed director of Admissions and Financial Aid, succeeding Robert Vikander who is now special assistant to the vice chancellor for Student Affairs.

"We are delighted Rodney Oto has accepted the director of Admissions and Financial Aid position at UMM," said Gary McGrath, vice chancellor for Student Affairs. "Rod brings to the position an understanding of liberal arts education and years of successful experience in financial aid and admissions."

Oto received a master's degree in education from Harvard University, with a concentration in administration, planning and social policy. He received a bachelor's degree with concentration in psychology and teaching from Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Prior to coming to UMM, he was dean of admission and financial aid at Austin College in Sherman, Texas, and before that director of financial aid



at Colorado College, Colorado Springs.

He is a member and participant of the Texas Association of College Admission Counselors, the Southwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, the National Association of College Admission Counselors, and the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

A native of Honolulu, Oto and his wife, Linda, have two children: Ryan, eight, and Carly, four.

Campus Rolls Out Maroon and Gold Carpet for Homecoming '95

The bustle of activity that forecasts an exciting Homecoming is to be found all over campus as students, faculty and staff bring a year's worth of planning to fruition for the 1995 Homecoming Weekend.

From the seventh annual Alumni Career Fair on Friday to the Concert Choir and Band performances on Sunday, the entire weekend offers lots of choices for a great time and for sharing fond memories for alumni, their families and guests.

Chaired by Pat Gannon ('70), the Alumni Career Fair continues to be one of the most successful opportunities for alumni-student exchange that the campus offers. Last year over 60 alumni came back to UMM to meet informally with students, sharing their insights and their career experiences with hundreds of highly receptive listeners. This year's theme--The Alumni Career Fair: A Compass for Your Future--affirms that like a compass, the experience at UMM prepares students for many different career and life paths. The fair will again be held in Oyate Hall of the Student Center.

Next in the weekend lineup is the MSP Alumni Association reception and roundtable discussion. Now in its fourth

October 20, 21 and 22--the time to enjoy "All the Comforts of Homecoming"

year, this lively forum gives students and alumni of color the chance to discuss their mutual concerns and exchange their shared experience at UMM.

Immediately following these events is the Alumni Appreciation Banquet in Oyate Hall, and then at 7:00 in the Moccasin Flower Room, the Alumni Association will hold its Annual Meeting.

A traditional high point of Homecoming Weekend for students is the Pepfest and coronation. This year's festivities will feature the Cougar football team, the award-winning cheerleaders/stuntmen squad, and a professional comedian who will entertain the crowd prior to the coronation of the Homecoming King and Queen. Friday night's final event is the Homecoming Dance in Oyate Hall, magically transformed into a grand ballroom.

Start Saturday off with a visit to the Homecoming Welcome Booth on the Mall. There, alumni will be greeted by fellow classmates and volunteers who will happily hand over an Alumni Weekend Discount Card for special prices on

game tickets and items in the bookstore. Colleagues and friends of the late Rod Briggs will want to attend a special event held in HFA Recital Hall to honor his work and memory. The Tailgate Party with a carnival, food and family fun precedes the 11:30 a.m. Homecoming Parade, which will march and prance through Morris and return to campus for float judging and more of the Tailgate Party. After that, fans can head for Cougar football field for pregame activities designed to swell Cougar Pride.

After the game, the fun continues at the Alumni Homecoming Reception in Oyate Hall. All afternoon, the Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity will hold an Open House for its alumni at the TKE House in town. Alumni of the Oster research project will celebrate their 15-year effort with a wine and cheese party in Humanities Lounge. Meanwhile, alumni and

friends of the Morris Women's Collective, the Morris Women's Group and the Women's Resource Center will have their first reunion, set in the Women's Resource Center's new offices on campus. Later that evening, *Hoop Dreams* will play in Edson Auditorium, and the third annual Cougar Hall of Fame awards banquet will be in full swing in Oyate Hall, followed by a Night Club dance in the Food Services building.

UMMers can wrap up the weekend with two concert performances on Sunday presented by the UMM Concert Choir and Concert Band. Both will be held in Recital Hall of HFA with Kenneth Hodgson, associate professor of music, directing the choir and Dennis Svendsen, assistant professor of music, conducting the band.

See the Homecoming Weekend schedule, inserted in this issue, for complete details. We hope you'll be joining us this year!

**Rodney Briggs Remembered • Saturday, October 21, 1995
10:30 a.m. • HFA Recital Hall**

All are welcome to attend a memorial and tribute to Rod Briggs, UMM's first dean and provost, who died May 10, 1995.

From the President: Ron Jost ('69)

Six years ago I had the privilege of being elected to the UMM Alumni Association Board and was able to serve the last five years as its president. Since our by-laws allow Board members to serve a maximum of six contiguous years, my term will expire this fall.

To say that "time flies" is an understatement. These past six years have gone by much too fast, but perhaps it's just a sign of getting older. In any event, the time spent has been well worth it, plus I have enjoyed seeing the Alumni Association be instrumental in the positive development of UMM. This University is recognized nationally and internationally for its academic excellence, and the Alumni Association is proud to be part of the process.

Since the very beginning, every Alumni Association Board has made its own contribution towards the success of the Alumni Association. During the past several years, I have had the opportunity to work with some very dedicated Board members who have helped in the building process of the Alumni Association.

When Chancellor Johnson first came to UMM from Gustavus Adolphus, he advised the Board that Gustavus had been using a Class Agent Program since the 1940s, and it was very successful in promoting involvement by alumni. Upon review, the Board decided that such a concept could be beneficial to further enhance our alumni participation. For those of you who may not recall, the Class Agent Program is comprised of individuals from each graduating class who are designated as Class Agents. These people serve as liaisons between their class, the Alumni Association Board and the campus. The intent is that as alumni, we would be more likely to respond to our peers as opposed to someone else.

In 1991, the Board took on the task of implementing the Class Agent Program. Class Agents were identified, orientation completed and the program was in full force by the fall of 1992. To date, the program has not only been successful in attracting new alumni support, but also through phone calls, the Alumni Association is now financially self-sufficient. We are no longer dependent upon our budget being part of the overall UMM budget, therefore, we now control our own destiny.

With this increased financial support, the alumni Board is able to undertake more philanthropic endeavors. Initially, several scholarship programs have been established to include freshman scholarships, the Herb Croom Scholarship and a general scholarship which will be expanded as necessary funding levels are achieved. Additionally, the Alumni Association will provide funds for an annual teaching award that will be presented to deserving faculty members. These philanthropic efforts exemplify the true spirit of being alumni and are part of the "giving back" process that is necessary for universities to survive with their budgetary constraints.

The future looks even better for the UMM Alumni Association because there is strength in numbers. Today there are approximately 12,000 alumni; six years ago when I became a Board member, there were 8,200 alumni, a 32 percent increase. With the growing alumni body, there are more good things that can happen. Who knows, the next Bill Gates or Curt Carlson might be part of our alumni, and we would even name a building after him or her should they become a benefactor. Regardless, the Alumni Association has a strong foundation, and the future can only be brighter.

Because this is my last President's Letter, I would like to thank some key people for their assistance and support during my tenure. First and foremost, a very special thanks to Director of Alumni Relations Maddy Maxeiner and her staff. Anyone who has been associated with the Alumni Association knows that Maddy pretty much runs the show, and the rest of us do what we can to contribute. I know she has made my experience with the Board more enjoyable because of her leadership. Also thanks to all of the Board members and Class Agents who have given freely of their time to promote the UMM legacy.

Thanks to Chancellor Johnson for all of his support, especially with the Class Agent Program. I know he believes that a strong Alumni Association is paramount to the continuing success of UMM. Also thanks to the vice chancellors and the division chairs for their contributions during the Board meetings. Finally, thanks to you, the alumni body, because through your support, tomorrow's students can enjoy the UMM experience.

Driggs Lecturer to Address American War in Vietnam

Professor Marilyn B. Young of New York University, New York, has been selected as the 1995 O.T. Driggs Distinguished Lecturer. Her presentation, "Vietnam: Twenty Years Later," will take place Monday, October 9, 1995, at 8:15 p.m. in HFA Recital Hall. The theme for this year's Driggs lecture was identified in conjunction with the 20th anniversary of North Vietnam's victory over South Vietnam.

Dr. Young's presentation is based on her 1991 book, *The Vietnam Wars, 1945-1990*. Her book synthesizes the vast literature on the American War in that southeast Asian nation, and according to Mimi Frenier, UMM professor of history who specializes in Vietnam, "[it] involves the best and most recent use of U.S. government documents regarding that war." Relying on these sources, Dr. Young will juxtapose the Vietnamese revolution with American Cold War policy and ideology.

Professor Young received her Ph.D. from Harvard University and her A.B. degree from Vassar. She has been a member of the faculty of New York University since 1980 and is presently the chair of that university's Department of History.

She is the author of *The Vietnam Wars, 1945-1990*; *Promissory Notes: Women*

and *the Transition to Socialism* with Sonia Kruks and Rayna Rapp; and *Vietnam: A Documented History* with Marvin Gettleman, Bruce Franklin and Jane Franklin. Dr. Young has written many articles published in scholarly books and journals, and she frequently gives lectures on the American War in Vietnam in both Europe and the United States.

After the lecture, there will be a panel discussion followed by questions from members of the audience. The Driggs lecture is free and open to the public.

The O. T. Driggs Distinguished Lecture was established in 1985 by friends and former students of the late O. Truman Driggs who taught history at UMM from 1963 until his death in 1989. Previous Driggs lecturers include: Professors Robert Isherwood of Vanderbilt University; Stanley Idzerda of St. Benedict's College; Elaine Tyler May of the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; Jack Censer of George Mason University; Richard Flacks of the University of California, Santa Barbara; Paul L. Murphy of the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; Carla Rahn Philips, also of the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; Christopher Browning of Pacific Lutheran University; and Clara Sue Kidwell of The National Museum of the American Indian.

• Welcome New Class Agent •

Jill Hakes ('92), Minneapolis, has accepted the invitation to serve as Class Agent for the Class of 1992 with Co-agent Jon Meyer ('92), Plymouth, Minn. She succeeds Kim Jones ('92), East Hazelcrest, Ill., who had been a Class Agent since the program's inception in 1992. Jill and Jon are two of 18 loyal alumni who are part of UMM's Class Agent Program, a vital link between alumni and the campus.

If you are interested in learning more about serving as a Class Agent, contact Alumni Relations Director Maddy Maxeiner, (612) 589-6066. It's a great opportunity to work with friends and former classmates, and have a lot of fun while helping UMM in the process. Call anytime; we look forward to hearing from you!

Class Notes

CLASS OF '64

Bonnie (Bogie) Raschke writes, "My husband and I recently bought The Wigwam, a souvenir-gift shop in Lake George, Minn. We are excited about the new venture."

Leonard Munstermann and his wife, Heidi Wang, proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Maya Jayne Munstermann, born June 2, 1995, weighing seven pounds, six ounces and measuring 21 inches long. Leonard notes, "At age two days could count to ten in three languages." Wow!

CLASS OF '65

Ken and Kathy ('67) Kollodge updated us. They travelled to Fairbanks, Alaska, about 20 years ago "on a lark" and ended up staying put. Ken is a professional photographer, owner of Alaska Chromes, Inc. He travels the state photographing its spectacular scenery and wildlife, exhibiting his work in galleries and on published posters. Kathy is a television producer. Last spring, she completed an hour-long documentary on energy efficient home building, featuring the newly constructed home of the president of the University of Alaska.

CLASS OF '67

Alan Johnsrud sent this update. "I teach second grade at Sanford school in Montevideo, Minn. Wife Nancy operates Little Lamb's Day Care Center. Oldest son, Barry, is an attorney with Eisenhower-Carlson in Tacoma, Wash. Son Corey is a '95 graduate of North Park Theological Semi-

nary in Chicago and is associate pastor of Salem Covenant Church in Worcester, Mass. Son Andrew is a '95 graduate of St. Olaf College and serving with the Peace Corps in Palau. Daughter Sarah will be a sophomore at Montevideo senior high. Daughter Rebecca will be a fourth grader at Sanford elementary. Our biggest news is we will be grandparents this fall!" Alan and his family live in Montevideo.

CLASS OF '68

Robert Benson has joined the staff of Edina Realty as an associate, and will concentrate on serving the Willmar, Minn., area. He lives in Montevideo.

Olive Dalen and her husband, Leland, were jointly presented a Citizenship Award by the mayor of Milan, Minn., where they make their home. They were honored for their many years of varied community service to Milan, including working with Meals on Wheels; teaching in the public schools; serving in public office, as an election judge, as church officers; and much, much more.

CLASS OF '69

Harry Carter writes, "I live in Rochester, Minn. I'm chief operating officer of IBM Mid America Credit Union. Wife of 27 years, Marie, and I have four children. Third child, son Ryan, will begin freshman year at UMM this fall of 1995, exactly 30 years after dad."

Ruth Roquette received a master's degree in education from the University of St. Thomas last

May. She lives in Morris, and teaches science at the high school.

CLASS OF '71

Alpha Ihnen died May 5, 1995, in her Glenwood, Minn., home at the age of 65. She is survived her husband, Earl; their three daughters two sons and 13 grandchildren; and by her three brothers.

CLASS OF '72

Vicki (Ahrens) Perri was guest speaker last May at the Villa of St. Francis here in Morris, addressing the staff on issues in customer service. She is a motivational speaker, owner of The People Coach based in Plymouth, Minn.

CLASS OF '73

Dennis Anderson lives just north of Somerset, Wis., where he has earned a reputation as the nation's top importer and breeder of world-class hunting dogs, English-born Labrador retrievers. He also trains cutting horses, sharing both pastimes with his wife, Jan; they have one son, Trevor, age two. Dennis is the outdoor columnist for the Minneapolis *Star Tribune*.

Sharin Doerring of rural Peterson, Minn., passed away January 17, 1995, of cancer. She is survived by her husband; their three sons and a daughter; two grandchildren; and her parents.

CLASS OF '74

Randy Johnson sent us an update. "Currently

teaching in Milaca, Minn., finishing twenty-first year as a seventh grade life science teacher. Imagine 20+ years with seventh graders! Three children: Mandy, 16; Jacob, 14; and Jesse, seven. Wife, Jean, 22 years!"

CLASS OF '75

Ivalou (Thorstad) Moll sent an update last June. She now lives in Lorton, Va., working for Vector Research, Inc., as an administrative assistant. She has three sons: Scott, 19; Andrew, 11; and Christopher, five. She writes, "Scott is working full-time with plans for college in business management. Andrew is in fifth grade and baseball is his life! We plan to be in Minnesota in July and will hopefully pick up a Twins game. Christopher is a Headstart and preschool grad, and is looking to further his schooling through kindergarten in the fall. We are all Minnesota sports fans--can't get it out of our blood!"

Mark Sticha writes, "[I was] recognized for 20 years' of service with United Parcel Services. Presently working as an operations division manager and overlooking compliance in Minnesota." Mark resides in Brooklyn Park.

CLASS OF '76

Donald "Twig" Webster combines his love of theatre and visual imagery with his knowledge of electronic technologies. He produces interactive multi-media training videos for HBO & Company, a developer of software systems for a health care provider based in the Twin Cities. The final presentations he creates display on video or com-

Chancellor's Choice: Dave Johnson

Think for a moment of UMM as a stool with three legs, one for teaching of students, one for research for scholars and one for outreach to citizens. Then think how a three-legged stool wobbles if those legs are of even slightly different lengths. Teaching and research are so familiar to us--so "equal-legged"--that we take them for granted as our functions. Outreach seems less understood, more likely to be the short leg of the stool. This column attempts to strengthen the case that outreach must be equal to teaching and research.

Why this emphasis upon outreach? I begin by pointing out that the Morris campus is the University of Minnesota as much as are the colleges on the Twin Cities campuses. Keep in mind that the University combines functions that in most states are assigned to separate doctoral-granting institutions: one for research and one, the legacy of a land grant, for outreach. That land-grant obligation attaches to Morris even though the services we as a liberal arts college can provide are quite different from those which come from, for example, the Minnesota Extension Service, the health science clinics, or the agricultural experiment stations.

Here are a few examples of Morris campus involvement in outreach activities:

Enrichment of children is the focus of both the Lollypop Art Show and the Children's Theatre, events which attract busloads of elementary school pupils from the surrounding communities. Our coaches conduct summer clinics and camps. Many from campus have participated in a major project chaired by Pam Engebretson (Admissions and Financial Aid) which is leading to the establishment of a community child care center.

Beautification of the region is enchanced by "Prairie Yard and Garden," a popular program produced by Roger Boleman (Audio-Visual Services) and Sue Gooch (faculty spouse), now in its ninth season on Pioneer Public Television.

A book featuring the reminiscences of county residents who were in World War II is underway, involving LeAnn Dean and Ardath Larson (Briggs Library) with the Stevens County Historical Society.

Teacher development for K-12 faculty is

flourishing. Bill Stewart (Minority Student Program) and Engin Sungur (statistics) have a project that enriches mathematics in Twin Cities and Chicago schools. Judy Kuechle and Carol Marxen (education) conduct in-service programs for area teachers in, respectively, environmental education utilizing the Upper Sioux Agency as locale and with K-2 teachers (the 2 is not a typo) in physics.

Community development is the focus of grants being written by Roger McCannon (Continuing Education and Extension) to establish a Center for Small Towns here, a "think tank" which can connect campus and regional expertise with the issues faced by the often-neglected smaller towns. Andy Lopez (computer science) and others have been central in developing technology transfer in this community; one result is the founding of a business, INFOLINK, to help area companies become a part of the information superhighway. Jooinn Lee (political science) directed two projects funded by the Minnesota Humanities Commission, one a conference on aging, the other a series of adult seminars on the quality of rural life and small towns. Ethical issues ranging from children's rights to genetic engineering are the focus of panels appearing in local congregations, a grant Pieranna Garavaso (philosophy) has had renewed for several years from the Minnesota Humanities Commission.

School partnerships are exemplified by Jim Carlson's (music) jazz workshops, the assistance of some of our athletes to sports programs, our science faculty's judging of science fairs. Craig Kissock (education) and Tom Mahoney (grants office) were instrumental in assisting the Morris schools to establish an extensive exchange program involving many adults in this community with Chelyabinsk, Russia.

The list could go on and on with inspiring examples of commitment to service to the region. I think it unusual for liberal arts colleges to have such profound interrelationships of outreach with teaching and research as one finds here. Without question, our involvement in a land-grant university has given us a sense of responsibility to the people of this state and the broader world. I am pleased to report that the three-legged stool, my metaphor for the Morris campus, is well-constructed.

Newly-elected Board Members Announced

Four alumni have been elected to the UMM Alumni Association Board of Directors as of the August 31st close of the 1995 election. The new directors are:

Edward Caillier ('75) Incumbent. A UMM psychology major, Ed is currently director of human resources for Piper Jaffray, Inc., and lives in Fridley, Minn. He worked on the *Vanguard* while at UMM, and served as its editor. He has helped students through the Alumni Network, assisted with phonathons, and chaired the Mid-Winter Night's Dream event held last February. "I am interested in finding ways to connect my business experience with alumni and students, and in bringing alumni together to share their experiences."

Carlos Gallego ('85) Incumbent. While at UMM, Carlos majored in Spanish, political science and elementary education; he earned his master's degree in education through the Office of Continuing Education at UMM. Carlos lives in Vadnais Heights, Minn., currently working as a minority recruitment specialist for the National Marrow Donor Program. He is active in community service; a member of the State Board of the American Cancer Society; and treasurer of the National Association on Hispanic/Latino Affairs. "I am very interested in helping develop visible linkages between alumni and students. Having placed several UMM students in internships over the last three years, I want to help more students take advantage of the Alumni Network for jobs and other opportunities. I also want to develop new campus programs such as a Cancer Awareness Day, and to work with students, particularly Latino students."

Curtis Loschy ('69) Curt was a pre-engineering student at UMM and a member of the Phi Mu Delta fraternity. He has participated in the Alumni Career Fair for the last two years, and is a regular caller during Alumni Phonathons. Currently director of technical services for The Jacobson Companies in Golden Valley, Minn., Curt resides in Fridley. "I would like to see the Alumni Association continue to grow and expand; it has made great progress in the last several years. I would like to see more alumni participation in the Alumni Career Fair, and would like to see the Alumni Association continue to provide identification for alumni with the Morris campus."

Lisa Gulbranson ('92) Lisa majored in English and biology with a chemistry minor at UMM. She was a UROP student and, for five years, a member of the Concert Choir. Lisa lives in St. Paul, working as a scientist for the University of Minnesota's Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics; she also sings with the National Lutheran Choir and is active in the Organic Growers and Buyers Association. She is a two-year participant in the Alumni Career Fair and was a caller during the fall 1995 Alumni Phonathon. "I am proud to be a UMM grad. My degree has served me well. Consequently, I welcome this opportunity to support and promote the University of Minnesota at Morris."

The new directors will be installed at the Board of Directors Annual Meeting, set for Friday of Homecoming Weekend, October 20, 7:30 p.m., Student Center's Moccasin Flower Room. Alumni and friends are welcome to attend.

Class Notes

puter. Twig, his wife, Shaune Wunder, and their three children live in Morris.

CLASS OF '77

James Severson ('77) is the new UMM men's basketball coach, succeeding Perry Ford. Since 1992, Jim has served as assistant coach at the University of North Dakota (UND). He was assistant basketball coach under Rich Glas both at UMM and UND, and helped Glas lead the UND teams to NCAA playoffs every year.

CLASS OF '78

David and Jill (Schnirring) ('80) Beuchler live in Mesa, Ariz., with their "three great kids!" David is an accountant with the Family Service Agency in Phoenix.

Robert Grotjohn wrote that he now lives in Staunton, Va., and teaches English at Mary Baldwin College in Staunton. He and his wife, Shina, have two children: Mark, 12, and Elisa, seven.

Monica (Wilmes) Wepking writes, "[I] am in my eleventh year as director of Student Services, Career Planning and Placement, International Admissions and Public Relations at Huron University, Huron, S.D. I recently received a statewide merit award. The award was presented by the International Association of Professionals in Employment Security; it is presented annually to one employer or individual in the state, and it is the highest honor the association gives. I received the award for outstanding contributions in the employment and training field. Others who have received

the recognition are two former presidents, Harry S. Truman and John F. Kennedy."

CLASS OF '79

Jon Dalager was awarded a Ph.D. in political science by the University of Illinois in May of this year. He is currently a visiting assistant professor at the University of Illinois, Champaign. Jon and his wife, **Teresa (Mehl) ('88)**, reside in Champaign; Teri works for the Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, Ill.

Patti Hynes-McCarthy shared an update. Last year, she decided to make a major career change and is now manager and writer for Season's Players, a semi-professional theatre company she and her husband, Tom, established. She writes, "I quit my job of 8 1/2 years as director of human resources [for Walker Methodist Health Center, a 500-bed nursing home] in order to devote my time to our theatre business and two children, and now I would describe life as good, very good!" Patti and her husband, Tom, a speech instructor at Anoka Ramsey Community College and doctoral student at St. Thomas, live in Coon Rapids, Minn., with their sons, Christopher, seven, and Jonathon, three.

CLASS OF '80

Julie Bergh Penk and Dean Penk ('79) updated us. Julie is on leave of absence from her position as deputy examiner of titles for Ramsey County to work in Vladimir, Russia, teaching Russian specialists the process, logic and methodology of registering property in preparation for the move

toward privatization of real estate in that country. Dean will join her in September, and they'll return home in October. Julie and Dean serve as UMM Class Agents; Julie handles the Classes of '80 and '81 while Dean works with the Classes of '77, '78 and '79 with Co-agent **Barbara Hippe ('78)**.

CLASS OF '81

Scott Behrends writes, "My wife, Mary Lou, and our two children have recently relocated to the Pocono Mountains of northeast Pennsylvania. Currently working on a re-engineering project for the Woolworth Corp. Hope all is well at UMM." Scott is district manager for Footlocker; he and his family live in Saylorsburg, Pa.

Jana Groothuis Peterson and Jon Peterson ('83) sent this release: "Announcing the arrival of the newest recruit at Ft. Bragg, N.C.!! David Jon Peterson. Reported for duty: 2June95 0040 hours. Travel Weight: 8 lbs., 10 oz., 21 inches. Officers in Charge: Jon, Jana, Katie and Anna. Field Rations: milk. Uniform: diapers. Taking immediate command!" Jon is a US Army captain.

Hildreth Venegas participated in the US Army War College's Forty-first Annual National Security Seminar, held June 5-9, 1995, in Carlisle Barracks, Pa. Seminar guests are broadly representative American citizens who have achieved success in many areas of American life. Hildreth has worked extensively on behalf of Native American rights and as an advocate for health and women's issues; served as IHS Hospital administrator; and in retirement continues serving the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe and the larger community.

Hildreth lives in Sisseton, S.D.

CLASS OF '82

Jeffrey Bovy of Inver Grove Heights, Minn., died February 17, 1995, while undergoing surgery for a heart valve replacement. He is survived by his wife, Jame, and their son, Justin, 11-months; his parents; a brother and extended family.

Lynnae (Jenkins) Grack sent a joint update with **Lori Geske-Kruggel**. "[We] are living in Winthrop, Minn., and enjoying the golf course together this summer. Lori is married to Gary, and they have a five-year-old, Stephanie. She teaches sixth grade at McLeod West in Stewart. Lynnae is a single mom to Trevor, three, and teaches high school band at GFW in Winthrop. 'The best time to ask us about our career choice is out on the links. Fore!'"

Patrick Moore lives in Montevideo, Minn., with his wife, Mary, and their daughters, and where he is actively involved in land stewardship and environmental protection.

CLASS OF '83

Rebecca (Christenson) Aanerud dropped us a line. "My husband, Mike, and I are proud to announce the arrival of our second daughter, Lauryn Elizabeth, born March 6, 1995. She joined our family March 20, 1995. Lauryn is welcomed home by big sister Bethany Christine, five. I am in charge of game and fish for Wright County. We love the country life on our 80 acres of ponds, woods and wildlife outside of Maple Lake, Minn."

summerFest '95

Saturday, August 19, 1995 ... a beautiful, sun-filled Minnesota sky; acres of space to play; carloads of alumni, family and friends throughout the day; and great food, enough to last well into the evening. Frequently heard comment: "Hope we can do this again next year!"



Our sincere thanks to Tim ('78) and Deb Peterson for hosting summerFest '95 at their hobby farm near Litchfield, Minn.



summerFest Planning Committee: Marian Blattner ('81) convener, Terry Benson ('79), Tom Hanson ('84), Barb Hippe ('78), Dean Penk ('79), Cathy ('87) and Todd Sicard ('91)

Class Notes

Moshtagh Farokhi sent in a correction to the update printed in the last issue of *UMM To You*. After leaving UMM, she attended the dental school on the Twin Cities campus, graduated and completed her residency. She then moved to Colorado Springs, Colo., and now has her own dental practice. She has been in Colorado Springs for the past three years.

Larry Hutchings is museum curator for the Stevens County Historical Society. He regularly conducts tours of the facility, demonstrating methods he uses to preserve and catalog items donated to the museum. The items range from women's apparel to family photographs. In one instance, he used a 1908 Sears catalog to identify several kitchen utensils. Larry lives in Morris.

Kathryn Zochert Berg writes, "Guy (my hubby) and I just built a beautiful home in Woodbury, Minn. I am still employed as a computer software trainer at Resolution, Inc., in Roseville. I am planning my third career change by taking a few science classes en route to becoming a homeopathic practitioner. Check with me in five years! No kids yet, but we have two Akitas, Bodhi and Nichi."

CLASS OF '84

Terrie Campbell-Mahmoodi wrote in. "I'm enjoying the opportunity of being a full-time Mom to my children: a daughter, Taranae, five; and a son, Arian, two. We recently built a home, and I continue to put the finishing touches on it. I'm also still involved in cheerleading, but in the form of a judge for high schools and universities. My husband,

Farzad, recently received tenure and was promoted to associate professor. He also received the university's distinguished 1995 researcher of the year award and has been nominated to become an honorary member of the New York State Academy of Sciences."

Lisa (Berndt) Gillispie shared an update. She is married and has two children: Amber, nine, and Ashley, three. Lisa works for Rice County Social Services as a computer specialist, and lives with her family in Northfield, Minn.

Dana Harris-Abraham graduated from John Marshall Law School with honors last May and was among those listed in the most recent collegiate edition of *Who's Who*. Dana and her husband, Raymond, have two children: Garland, 13, and Autumn, seven. They reside in Stone Mountain, Ga.

Matrese Benkofske and **Clyde Heppner ('87)** reside in Gladstone, Mo., and work for the Kansas City school district's Evaluation Unit. Clyde is with the research office, and Matrese, who just completed her Ph.D., is in the program evaluation office.

Jennifer (Born) Kelly writes, "My husband, Pat, and I proudly announce the birth of our third son, Blair Patrick, on May 30, 1995. He weighed nine pounds, three ounces, and was 20 3/4 inches long. He joins twin brothers Quinn and Shane (3 1/2). I am currently on five-year leave from my teaching position in Inver Grove Heights, Minn." Jenny and her family reside in Burnsville.

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Brenda (Magnuson) Hintermeister continues teaching physical education for the Alexandria, Minn., schools. She and her husband, Kent, have two sons: Trent, four, and Zachary, one year. They live in Brandon.

Kara (Lipinski) and Pete McCormick wrote, "We've moved from Chicago, Ill., to Grand Rapids, Mich. Pete got a promotion to be K-Mart's softline district manager for western Michigan. We love the area."

Kathryn (Miller) Sletto helped interpret the Douglas County Museum's exhibit, "New Roots: Families Who Came to Minnesota," which ran last spring. Author of *Immigrants*, she helped answer visitors' questions about European settlement of this part of the country, using the wall-sized plat map and other items on display. Kathryn lives in Alexandria.

Willard Wevley recently became sole owner of Cardini-Behrens Funeral Homes of Sebeka and Menahga, Minn. He and his wife, Paula, reside in Menahga.

CLASS OF '86

Gary Fisher lives in Britton, S.D., where he practices veterinary medicine at the clinic he opened there.

Connie Jorgensen and **Blair Nelson ('89)** write, "We are happy to announce the addition of our daughter, LiAnna Kay Marie, to our family. We are

joyfully experiencing the blessings and frustrations of parenthood! We continue to live in our own home in St. Cloud with our two dogs and two cats. We have quite a house full now!"

Tammy (Pierson) Quist writes, "Our son, Drew, joined his sisters, Katie, four, and Rachel, three, on April 30. After teaching middle school for six years in California and working at Northern State University for the past two, we're packing our bags again and moving to St. Louis where I've just signed a contract as an assistant principal at a middle school."

Karin (Paetznick) Rein sent a note. "I am currently living in St. Louis Park, Minn., with husband Russ, sons Mikael, six years, and Erik, 3 1/2. We are expecting our third child in November. I am teaching preschool in Edina and have been there for five years."

Peggy (Torkelson) Rinkenberger and her husband, Dave, proudly announce the birth of their second child, Jason David, born July 24, 1995, weighing eight pounds, eight ounces and measuring 20 inches long. The family resides in Morris.

CLASS OF '87

Kevin Hansen is a member of the Minneapolis Theatre Troupe and performed in *Forever Plaid*, a musical presented on campus in July as part of the UMM Summer Arts season. Kevin lives in St. Louis Park, Minn.

Evelyn Hoover and **Jeffrey Sauve** dropped a line. "We had our first baby June 11, 1995. Holden

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Jeffrey Paul Sauve weighed seven pounds, 3 1/2 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long. We're all doing just fine. We still live in Savage, Minn. Evelyn is managing editor of *ThisWeek* Newspapers, and Jeff is a litigation support supervisor for Quorum Litigation Services."

Bernice Rauenhorst Wimmer shared an update. She lives in Alexandria, Minn., where she is the city's community education coordinator. She has three children: Jocilyn, eight months; Karl, four; and Neysia, five.

Dean and Mary (Peltier) Walters live in Jackson, Minn., where he teaches and serves as head football coach and girls' basketball coach. They have three children.

CLASS OF '88

Daryl Burmeister writes, "Recently, I graduated from Texas A & M University with a doctorate in veterinary medicine. I am now practicing small animal veterinary medicine in Bloomington, Ill."

Sara Haugen was awarded her master's degree in counseling and human development, with an emphasis in college student personnel, last May by Moorhead State University. She continues to work as the principal secretary in UMM's Office of Student Activities and with her husband, **Bill ('76)**, continues enjoying life in their geodesic dome overlooking a lake near Farwell, Minn.

Lisa (Klukow) and Kermit ('87) Iverson updated us. They live in Woodbury, Minn., happily expecting the birth of their first child.

Cynthia Lambert teaches chemistry at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, La., where she also resides.

Wayne "Ribsy" Petermeier writes, "I am still teaching fifth grade in Browerville, Minn. My wife, Kris, teaches music in the elementary. We now have two kids, Brent, who is two, and Kyle, who is two months. Along with teaching, I coach--assistant varsity football--head girls' basketball--head fastpitch softball. We also just bought a house."

Verel Shull will be relocating to England from Lafayette, Ind., to pursue post doctoral studies, having completed his doctorate in genetics at Purdue.

Sheri Yecha graduated this past August from Northern State University with a bachelor's degree in education. She will be teaching biology and coaching.

CLASS OF '89

Julie Ann (Crawford) Coffland writes, "Have been in the Sacramento, Calif., area for the past 1 1/2 years. I teach TV classes at a talent school in the SanFran Bay area when I'm not auditioning or performing in commercials, films and industrials (mostly auditioning!). Am currently rehearsing two musicals--*Will Roger's Follies* and a new musical called *Hello to Life*, which will go up on a Riverboat stage. My husband, Chris, is still flying and instructing for the Air Force--now it's U2s...spy planes. I'd tell you more, but then I'd have to kill you HA HA...."

Carol (Munns) Cooper sent this news. "My husband, Dan, and I are pleased to announce the birth of our son. Jay Daniel was born on December 30, 1994. We're still living in St. Louis, Mo. Dan is still an FBI agent, and I am still teaching sixth grade and working on my master's."

Thomas Eidem married Kimberly Kunkel April 29, 1995. Both work for Lifecore Biomedical, Inc., in Chaska, Minn. They reside in Eden Prairie.

Sandra Kness writes, "I bought my first house in Ft. Worth. It has lots of trees and reminds me of Minnesota! I am the director of Nutrition Services at the Osteopathic Medical Center of Texas and am completing my thesis for a master of science in health education."

Karen Kohler-Nelsen ('89) and Stephen Nelsen ('87) sent an update. "Married June 1989. Living

in rural Hutchinson, Minn., with dog, Rockefeller Nelsen. Steve is a program manager with Focus Homes, Inc. Karen is a social worker for McLeod County Social Services. Hello to the Beta Sig, Chi Phi and Little Sister alumni!"

Angela Kramer-Erickson shared an update. She continues working in public relations for the Chrysler Corporation. She and her husband, Wayne, proudly announced the birth of their fourth child, James David, born April 26, 1995. He joins older sister Jessie, and big brothers Josh and Christian. The family resides in Hawley, Minn.

Richard Plantz of Rochester, Minn., formerly of Cresco, Iowa, died April 5, 1995, at his home. He is survived by his parents and step-mother; siblings and extended family.

Julie Shuckhart announces her engagement to Reed Devans of Eau Claire, Wis. They are planning an October 6, 1995, wedding, and will relocate to the Denver area afterward. Julie is currently a child care counselor for the Volunteers of America Shelter in Anoka, Minn.

Patricia (Thoen) Sibell writes that she works for the Maryland Insurance Group in Colorado Springs and lives in Monument, Colo.

CLASS OF '90

Jennifer (Ginkel) Dahl is now an Associate of the Society of Actuaries, having successfully completed the battery of examinations given for membership. She is the staff actuary with the IDS Life Insurance Company of Minneapolis. She and her husband, **Peter ('91)**, live in Brooklyn Park, Minn.

Amy Doll has joined the law firm of Fluegel, Helseth, McLaughlin, Anderson and Brutlag, Chartered. She will practice primarily in the areas of personal injury, workers' compensation, Social Security and in the future juvenile law. Amy lives in Morris.

Nancy (Walsh) Eystad writes, "I am married to Jason Eystad (July '93) with our first baby boy born in January. We recently moved from Chaska, Minn., to Park Rapids where Jay works for F.E.S., Inc., and I am staying at home with Zachary John and enjoying every minute!"

Jacqueline (Geurtz) Jurgenson sent an update. "I teach second grade in St. Charles, Minn. I also coach volleyball and track. I married Troy Jurgenson on August 6, 1994."

Melanie (Schissel)

Katalinich wrote of her marriage to Jon Katalinich. "[We married] on May 13, 1995, on a boat off the coast of Captiva Island, Fla. I am employed with South Seas Resort Companies as a golf shop buyer and merchandiser. Jon works for Instrumental Associates." They live in Fort Meyers, Fla.

Beth Kopitzke shared an update. "After working for the GFC *Advocate-Tribune* and Wal-Mart, got fed up with corporate culture. Am back in school for massage therapy--hope to open my own business by August or September '95. If you need stress relief, call me!" Beth resides in Crystal, Minn.

Mary Larson updated us. She is teaching first grade at Lincoln school in Willmar, Minn. She and her husband, Larry, have two children: Drew, two, and Amy Marie born June 11, 1995.

Joseph Lauer writes, "Hello all of my former fellow partiers. Those of you who know me by my real name, you know who you are! Although the social life isn't like it used to be, I'm still having a good time. I am currently working for EBF & Associates in Minnetonka, Minn., and just moved into a house on Medicine Lake in Plymouth. I'm in the book, so drop me a line. Take it easy."

Debra Loch and Mark Johnson married May 20, 1995, and live in St. Louis, Mo., where she is employed at Weber University, and he works for Long Beach Mortgage.

Kristine Peikert writes, "I have been teaching fourth grade at the Majuro Cooperative School in the Marshall Islands over the 1994-95 school year and will continue to do so during the upcoming school year. After graduating from UMM, I joined the Peace Corps and spent three years as a primary resource trainer in the country of Lesotho. I went from living in the mountains to living on an island. It's been great!"

Mark Sheistad writes, "I was married to Kristen Sprinkle on 17 June 1995 and married life is great! I am still working as senior archivist at the University of Wyoming, and Kristen is working on her master's degree in school counseling. I can be reached by e-mail at sheistad@uwyo.edu."

Andrew Svec is an admissions counselor at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. Recently, he was named Employee of the Quarter, recognized "...for his creative mind, promotions of UMC and involvement with students and staff."

Robert Torgerson wrote, "My wife, Courtney, and I welcomed a baby girl on April 24, 1995. Anna Taylor Torgerson was nine pounds, two ounces and has been sleeping through the night since she was two days old!" Robert and his family live in North St. Paul, Minn.

Kelly (Anderson) Wheeler sent a note last spring. "We're finally coming home to Minnesota in July. After three years in Oklahoma, we are ready to be back with family and friends. I am a pediatric RN, and I'll be working in a home health care agency for children. My family and I will be living in Brooklyn Park, Minn."

Gregory and Kristi (Schaub) ('88) Zimny write, "We are currently living in Stillwater, Minn., where I am the assistant branch manager for TCF Bank, and Greg works for Fortis Financial Group as a licensing administrator. I still keep up with my music as director of junior and senior high music at Trinity Lutheran and singing in the Valley Chamber Chorale. We have one son, Brennan, who is 4 1/2 years old."

Wanda (Pope) Moore wrote in. "Michael and I will celebrate our first anniversary on July 23. Wow!! That year went by really fast. I have been busy writing poetry and have submitted my poetry into several contests, so this year I hope to be a published poet." Wanda lives in Chicago.

CLASS OF '91

Todd Barrow updated us. "In August I begin my master's program in physical therapy at Mayo School of Health Related Sciences in Rochester. I am very excited to be attending Mayo, but I sometimes find it hard to believe that I will still be taking classes until October of 1997."

Jeffrey and Kristin ('91) Dalen-Bard write, "Despite reports in *UMM To You* to the contrary, I (Kris) did finish law school this year! In August, I will take a position in business litigation with Godfrey and Kahn in Milwaukee. Time to join the real world! Jeff has moved on from his fellowship and now manages Mercy Clinic West in Janesville."

Joel Beyer and his wife, Jamie, proudly announce the birth of their child, McKinley Austin, born June 23, 1995, six pounds, eight ounces and 19 inches long. The family lives in Morris.

Sharon (Jennissen) Hermoza and her husband, Luis, proudly announced the birth of their son last January 17. Sherry is teaching kindergarten in Miami Shores, Fla., and lives with her family in Bal Harbour.

Peter and Jane (Flaschenriem) ('92) Kampen sent this note. "Jane and I recently moved from Milbank, S.D., to Bloomington, Minn. Jane has transferred with Norwest Mortgage as a sales rep. I will be working for West Publishing as a telecommunications analyst. It's nice to be back in Minnesota again!"

Paul Kane and his wife proudly announced the birth of their daughter, Kasey, born last April. The family resides in Sauk Centre, Minn.

Brian Messerich lives in Brooklyn Park, Minn., and is a staff consultant for Andersen Consulting in Minneapolis. He notes, "I would love to hear from those who knew me."

Anne Polusny has relocated to Mankato, Minn., where she will be a case coordinator for the South Central Children's Project. She writes, "I am very excited about my new job and the move to Mankato. I've only been here a few weeks and don't know a soul--so if you know me, give me a call."

Duane Remer works as a loan officer for Farm Credit Services in Willmar. He notes, "Moved to Willmar January 1, 1995. Am enjoying the new surroundings."

Curtis Schmitz updated us. "I'm living in Plymouth, Minn., and working for a modular furniture company in Minnetonka. I keep busy working during the day, running my own business part-time in the evening and planning my upcoming October wedding to Mary T. Brual ('91). We will reside in Maple Grove following the wedding."

Mark and Stacy (Wahl) Slettum wrote in. "Mark is a paramedic for North Memorial Medical Center.

Stacy is the critical nurse educator at St. Paul Ramsey and also teaches nursing at the College of St. Catherine. Live in White Bear Lake after two years in Texas--no kids, two cats."

Andrew Tucker is an engineer for 7-Sigma and lives in St. Paul.

Kristen Zschomler writes, "I am currently attending graduate school at the University of Alabama, pursuing a master's degree in anthropology with a focus on archaeology. I am also pleased to announce my upcoming marriage to Daniel Pratt on July 21, 1995. I welcome any e-mail from 'long-lost' friends. My address is kzscho3@ua1ix.ua.edu."

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Jennifer Bennett Keeler and Jason Bennett shared an update. "I (Jennifer) am starting my fourth (and last) year at William Mitchell College of Law while working full-time as a legal assistant at Grand Casinos, Inc., in Plymouth, Minn. Jason was promoted in October to regional sales manager at Madsen Electronics. We currently reside in Brooklyn Park, Minn."

Amanda (Graunke) Bradley wrote in. "Beginning in the fall of 1995, I will be teaching in a multi-categorical special education classroom at Benton elementary school in Columbia, Mo. My husband, Shane, has begun a master's program in education and counseling psychology at the University of Missouri-Columbia."

Jody (Sundbom) Eddy married Paul Eddy April 22, 1995. They reside in Belcourt, N.D.

Joel and Mary (Calabrese) Fischer write, "We have a new baby girl, Kelly Vera, born February 26, 1995. Joel works for the Minnesota Department of Commerce as an analyst. I am a technical writer for Health Systems Integration. Live in St. Paul."

Antonio Jackson earned placement on the Dean's List for spring semester at Berklee College of Music in Boston where he is working on his master's degree. Berklee is the world's largest independent college of music and the premier institution for the study of contemporary music. Antonio maintained an academic average of at least 3.4 to make the Dean's List.

Chris and Michele (Arkell) Kennedy shared an update last May. "Chris is graduating from law school [this month]. We are then moving back home to Minnesota. We will be residing in Mankato where Chris will be taking a position at the Kennedy law firm. Michele is still looking for a teaching job in the area."

Alan Mills wrote, "I am still living in Fort Collins, Colo., and loving the skiing." He welcomes e-mail correspondence at amills@alpha.pr1.k12.co.us.

Christina Muedeking has joined the staff of US Representative David Minge, having graduated from George Washington University's law school in May.

Gina (Jarchow) Newman and Robert Newman married February 18, 1995. Gina is regional auditor with First Farmers and Merchants State Bank in Luverne, Minn; Robert farms and is the unit personnel administrator with the National Guard. They reside in rural Wilmont.

Beth O'Connor writes, "I finished my master's degree in health promotion and education in December of '94 at the University of Cincinnati. I'm now looking for a full-time position. I know I lost track of a lot of people during my last move--please contact me! 3010 Marshall Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45220."

Tammy (Lemke) Osterman is the personal banking officer for the newly-opened First National Bank of Elk River, Minn. She and her husband, **Terry ('91)**, live in Elk River.

Jodi Owen wrote, "I bought a home in Florida and am starting school in the fall at Florida Institute of

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• Faculty and Staff Corner •

Gary Donovan, director of The Career Center, served on two panels as part of the 1995 convention of the American Counseling Association, held in Denver last April. The panels were "A Federal Legislative Update" and "Government Relations Strategies that Work."

Joel Eisinger, associate professor of art history, will be attending the Mid-America College Art Association conference at the Herron School of Art/IUPUI in Indianapolis this October. He will participate on a panel discussing the special problems of teaching art and art history at small colleges. His presentation will focus on curricular decisions and the often competing pressures and principles brought to bear on them.

Jenny Nellis, professor of art, was one of two instructors presenting workshops in the Arts Alive summer program last July 31 through August 4, 1995. Workshop participants used mixed media and "found objects" to explore techniques of assembling sculptures.

Jeffrey Ratliff-Crain, associate professor of psychology, co-authored two research articles published in *Psychosomatic Research*. The articles, "Self-reported stressors, symptom complaints, and psychobiological functioning I: Cardiovascular stress reactivity" and "Self-reported stressors, symptom complaints, and psychobiological functioning II: Psychoneuroendocrine variables," are from a collaboration with Ad Vingerhoets of the Free University of Amsterdam.

The University of Minnesota Board of Regents approved the following UMM faculty promotions: **Maria-Luisa Rodriguez Lee**, promoted to professor of Spanish; **Nancy Carpenter**, promoted to associate professor of chemistry; **Joel Eisinger**, promoted to associate professor of art history; **Farah Gilanshah**,

Welcome New Faculty and Staff

Division of the Humanities

Matthew Senior, assistant professor of French

Division of Science and Math

Peh H. Ng, assistant professor of mathematics

Division of the Social Sciences

Donna Lynn Chollett, assistant professor of anthropology

Jennifer Dose, assistant professor of economics/management

Gregory Thorson, assistant professor of political science

Athletics

Thomas Hepburn, assistant football coach and sports information director

DeeAnn Munding, head coach/lecturer, volleyball and softball

Broderick Powell, assistant men's basketball coach

David Prather, senior stores clerk

James Severson ('77), head coach, men's basketball

Audio Visual Services

Michael Cihak, senior media resources producer

Briggs Library

Terri Manderscheid, senior accounts assistant

Office of the Vice Chancellor for Finance

Sarah Mattson, assistant to the vice chancellor for finance for human resources

Plant Services

Ann Williams, buildings and grounds

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promoted to associate professor of sociology; **Vicki Graham**, promoted to associate professor of English; **Gordan McIntosh**, promoted to associate professor of physics; and **Jeffrey Ratliff-Crain**, promoted to associate professor of psychology.

Doug Reese, head wrestling coach, helped direct the U.S. Cadet National Freestyle team to a 10th-place finish at the 1995 Cadet World Freestyle Wrestling Championships held in Budapest, Hungary, July 21-24. The U.S. was competing against 43 countries.

Samuel Schuman, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and dean, will be the

keynote speaker at "Collaboration and Community Within and Between Wisconsin Honors Programs," a conference to be held in Oshkosh, September 29, 1995. He is also organizing the 30th Annual Conference of the National Collegiate Honors Council set for November 2-5, 1995, in Pittsburgh.

Thomas Turner, associate professor of Spanish, received the 1995 Distinguished Teaching Award from University of Minnesota Office of Continuing Education and Extension. The award will be formally conferred at ceremonies in the fall. Tom has taught in and volunteered for a variety of continuing education programs at UMM.

Schuman, from page 1

faculty member in English at Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and director of the honors program at the University of Maine. He is past president of the National Collegiate Honors Council and of the Vladimir Nabokov Society.

Schuman currently serves on the boards of directors for WCQS (Western North Carolina Public Radio), the North Carolina Arboretum, Western North Carolina Development Association and United Way of Asheville and Buncombe County, Inc.

"I am particularly attracted to UMM for reasons both generic and particular," said Schuman at the time of his nomination for the position. "...I remain dedicated to the concept, and the actuality, of public liberal arts institutions...I find myself more interested in faculty development than in the development office, more engaged by the complexities of a different tenure decision than the complications of trustee or legislative relations.

"The University of Minnesota, Morris has been a national leader in defining and articulating the compelling rationale for (selective public liberal arts) institutions; to this effort, I believe I could contribute a thorough understanding of the public liberal arts mission, a deep and abiding belief in the educational and moral rightness of that mission, nearly two decades of experience and learning about academic administration, and a bit of enthusiastic articulation of my own."

Schuman and his wife, Nancy, have a daughter, Leah, a professional musician in Chicago, and a son, Benjamin, a doctoral student in philosophy at the University of Kentucky.

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Technology. I'd welcome any letters from UMMers!! You can reach me at 2555 Chatham Way NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905 or cserve 75522,2370."

Theresa Raaf dropped us a line. "Just returned from a wonderful five-city European trip. Art museum overdose, but what a way to go!" Terri lives in Alexandria, Minn.

Laurie Trousil writes, "I received my master's degree in political science in June (finally) from the American University in Cairo. After a short rest, I will be heading the English language program for 4-5 year olds at a school in Maadi."

Christopher and Patricia (Wulf) Wente proudly announce the birth of their child, Brooke Alexandra, born June 20, 1995, weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces, and measuring 18 3/4 inches long. The family lives in Morris.

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Scott Bain sent us a corrected e-mail address and invites correspondence from friends: bainse@uclink2.berkeley.edu.

William Burns called us to say that he has completed his master's degree in counseling at Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, and will be working there for the coming year as a residence hall director and counselor before starting work on a doctorate.

Melissa "Missy" (Bos) Gruys writes, "I am attending graduate school in industrial relations at the U of M--Twin Cities. Since I just began a Ph.D.

program in the fall of 1994, I look forward to a few more years here. I love my program and look forward to the challenges to come! My husband, Scott, and I live in Burnsville. I would love to hear from people via the Internet: gruy001@gold.tc.umn.edu."

Valerie (Neal) Koss wrote twice. First, "I got married on August of '93 to Derek Koss. That same summer, I also got a teaching job in Cokato, Minn. I teach second grade, and I love it! We live in Buffalo, and Derek works as a designer/salesman in Fridley. We are expecting our first baby at the beginning of July ('95). We are very excited!!" Then we received, "I wrote about a month ago to announce we were to have a baby. Well, Rachel Jean Koss arrived on Friday, June 16 at 5:27 a.m. She weighed six pounds, six ounces, and was 18 1/2 inches long. We are enjoying parenthood very much and continue to try to catch up on sleep."

Corinne Leuthner writes, "I live in Victoria, Minn., and am a department manager at Target in Chanhassen. During the school year, I take American Sign Language courses at St. Paul Technical College. In the summers, I have been working at the Concordia Norwegian Language Village in Bemidji, though this year I am working at one of the German Villages as well." Corinne invites correspondence: PO Box 269, Victoria, MN 55386.

Peter and Tracy (Hansen) Lutz updated us. "Pete is working in managed health care at Diversified Pharmaceutical Services. I finished my first year teaching and coaching. This summer I will be the assistant manager at Golf for Her in the Mall of

America. We recently purchased a home in Apple Valley, Minn."

Meredith McGrath wrote, "This fall I will attend Western Illinois University. I will be studying for my master's in college student personnel. Macomb [Ill.] will be pretty similar to Morris; it's in the middle of a cornfield with more university-related residents than non-university people!"

Gregg and Stacy (Rust) Martig wrote us. "I will be on my third year at Eagan High School where I teach math and coach JV volleyball. Gregg just accepted a job at St. Cloud Tech High School where he will teach ninth grade civics and coach sophomore football and varsity girls' basketball. We live in Albertville."

Scott Nielsen and Amy Hennen ('94) were married June 2, 1995. They live in Minneapolis where she is in law school, and he is in medical, both on the Twin Cities Campus. They note, "[We're] living at Como Student Housing and loving married life!!"

Trina (Johnson) Riegel wrote in. "I married Steve Riegel on June 10 of 1995. I also graduated from Michigan State U. in May 1995 with an M.S. in geology. Steve is with the Air Force, and we reside in California, where I am job hunting!"

Tanya (Wiese) Robillard wrote, "Former UMM instructor Mike Robillard (89-94) and I were married July 1993. We're currently (temporarily!) living in Valdosta, Ga., where we are resisting southern drawls, watching for such native 'critters' as armadillos, alligators and possums, and learning to appreciate heat index in a new way. Mike

teaches math, and I'm a library assistant at Valdosta State University. We welcome e-mail correspondence at mrobilla@grits.valdosta.peachnet.edu."

Diane (Davignon) and Shannon ('94) Ryks shared their good news. "We have relocated from Morris to Plymouth, Minn. Shannon has a new job as a Unix Systems administrator I for In Home Health, Inc., in Minnetonka. I am going to be MOM to Joshua (3 1/2) and Kyra (2). Look us up!"

Jolene (Thibedeau) Schwellenbach wrote in last June. "I married Jon Schwellenbach on February 14, 1995, on the beach in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, as planned! (It was 90°+ on our wedding day!) We spent two weeks on the island and just had our second reception here--one in March in Willmar (my hometown) and one at his parents' in Plymouth--a pig roast on one of the hottest days so far this summer! We are buying and remodeling a house in Plymouth and will be moving at the end of the summer."

Joseph and Tina (Wesbur) Stanger proudly announce the birth of their son, Matthew James, born June 4, 1995, at nine pounds, nine ounces, and 21" long. They live in Park Rapids, Minn.

Michael Suman sent this note. "I am alive! I just graduated from the U of Minnesota in architecture and work at HGA Architects. For those interested... look me up. I currently live in Uptown Minneapolis."

Todd and Anita (Nordine) Thorsteinson wrote last June, "We are still living in Bowling Green, Ohio, where Todd is going to graduate school.

Cougar Sports

COUGAR HALL OF FAME



Two more UMM athletic greats will be added to the roster of Cougar Hall of Fame notables at ceremonies to be held during Homecoming Weekend. The third annual awards banquet is set for Saturday, October 21, 1995, at 8:00 p.m. in Oyate Hall of the Student Center. Tickets are available for \$12.00 per person; reservations are preferred. Contact Mark Fohl at (612) 589-6421.

Doug Dufty came to UMM in 1969 and served as the head wrestling coach for 11 years. During his tenure at UMM, Doug also coached football and golf.

As a wrestler at Concordia College, Doug finished second in the 1965 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics national tournament, and he was named Outstanding Wrestler in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference in 1967.

In his 11 years at UMM, Doug's teams were 98-75-5. He coached 16 conference champions, and had wrestlers named as All-Americans 15 times. Three of them then went on to win national championships.

Doug was named the Northern Intercollegiate Conference (NIC) Coach of the Year in 1978 and 1979, and in 1980 was nominated for National Coach of the Year honors.

Doug currently lives in Fargo, N.D., where he is a long time employee of the Ostlund Chemical Company. He and his wife, Karen, have two children, Paula and Jay.

Doug Patnode graduated from UMM in 1972 after an outstanding athletic career that included eight letters and captain honors in both football and baseball. He was a four-year letter winner and starter in football, earning All-NIC status as a senior and Honorable Mention recognition as a junior. Doug was a four-year letter winner in baseball, honored as All-NIC as a senior and Honorable Mention as a junior. He participated in wrestling during three seasons, two of which were unfortunately cut short by injury.

During his stay at UMM, Doug established records in football for rushing yards in a season, touchdowns and points scored. He was named Rookie of the Year in 1968 and All-Conference and Team MVP in 1971. The football team's record was 25-8 in his four years as a player.

Doug also has the honor of being a member of the first two NIC championship teams at UMM: baseball in the spring of 1970 and football in the fall of that year.

Doug is currently teaching physical education at the high school in Princeton, Minn., and serves as the head football coach there. He and his wife, Mary ('71), reside in Princeton with their four children: Dan, Mark, Mike and Lisa.

Dufty and Patnode join 11 Cougars previously honored in the Cougar Hall of Fame: Mike Bah ('71), Ft. Worth, Texas; Wayne Brabender ('68), Madrid, Spain; Verne Chandler, Tintah; Dennis Koslowski ('81), Minnetonka; Duane Koslowski ('82), Coon Rapids; Cindy Lonneman ('83) Adrian; Doug MacIver ('69), Duluth; Al Molde, Kalamazoo, Mich; John Nordgaard ('69), Dawson; Randy Schwegel ('78), Backus; Darcy Winkelman ('82), Morris.

Cougar Sports

Sports information contributed by Thomas Hepburn,
UMM Sports Information Director

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

Head football coach Jay Mills will rely on experienced veterans coupled with talented youth to propel the Cougars into their first season in NCAA II competition.

On offense the Cougars return ten starters and a total of 17 letter winners who will provide experience and necessary depth. Eddie Barrett, Chicago, arguably one of the best athletes in the conference, returns as the Cougar's field general. Three starting receivers return this year to give the Cougars a serious threat out on the flank: Dominic Orella, Hudson, Wis.; Troy Zakariasen, Grand Rapids; and converted guard Shane Hudak, Vermillion. The additional skills two junior college transfers bring to the field will bolster all receiving slots.

Brad Dahl, Annandale, and Germaine McFarlane, Hollywood, Fla., lead the Cougar backfield and, based on their performance last fall and spring, should make for a great one-two punch. Pre-season All-America candidate Josh VanDrake, Brainerd, will again anchor the offensive line, and with other returning starters and two more transfers, will solidify the Cougar front five.

Defense also looks to be a strong hold for the Cougars this fall. Led by team captain and pre-season All-America candidate Pete Iten, Cambridge, the team's new "Gold Rush" defense looks to improve from last season, with the secondary providing its strength as three starters return: Iten; Shane Martin, Bloomington; and Jacob Nelson, Barnum. They will be helped by the hard work of teammates looking for the starting nod this year and several newcomers.

The big question for the Cougar defense will be at the linebacker spot. One starter returns for the Cougar's 4-3 defense, Andy Johnson, second team All-Conference who last year led in total tackles. Help for the linebacker spot will come from several sources, including Luke Robinson, Stillwater, who finished in the No. 1 middle linebacker spot last spring.

The season promises to be a real challenge for the Cougars, but they should be ready.

GOLF PREVIEW

Cougar golf jump starts the season with teams made up entirely of veterans. Junior Nicole Olson, Fairfax; and sophomores Amber Neff, Bemidji; Andrea VanEngelenhoven, West Fargo; and Emily Welke, Winona; complete the women's roster. The men's team welcomes back seniors Shane Eastman, Garrison; Bill Fehlberg, Brooklyn Center; juniors John Hennessey, Blaine; and Marcus Van Riper, Onalaska, Wis.; and sophomores Mark Moshier, Little Falls; and Chris Sieling, Eagle Bend.

Both teams will begin the season in early September. The men are looking to repeat last year's impressive showing, while the women anticipate a good season due to their larger team which should make them more competitive.

VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

The 1995 season promises to be an exciting one for the Cougars. All six starters return, led by 1994 captains Alissa Swenson, New Ulm, and Jill Pollard, Grand Forks, N.D.; '94 MVP Kathy Ellsworth, Wells; and super sophomore Erika Bailey, Williams. They are looking to make a run at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference this year.

The team welcomes a new head coach, DeAnn Munding. A native of West Bend, Wis., Munding comes to Morris after a stint as a graduate assistant at Northeast Louisiana University, where she received a master's degree in health and human service. She earned a B.S. in physical education from Livingston University in Alabama, where she was a two-sport star in volleyball and softball, earning All-Conference honors in both sports.

Munding will have the valued support of assistant coach and UMM alumna Heather Pennie ('95). Cougar fans will remember Pennie's outstanding athletic achievements during her years here, including All-District honors in volleyball and All-Conference kudos in softball.

Class Notes

Todd just finished his master's and will soon start on getting his Ph.D. I'm working at a nursing home as the activity director. We love Ohio, but we are looking forward to a trip home in July."

Rachel Timp updated us. "After graduating, I spent two years in Colorado. During that time, I worked at the Keystone and Breckenridge ski resorts. I enjoyed skiing in Colorado and Utah, whitewater river rafting, gold mining, mountain biking at Slick Rock, you name it! I loved it! I have recently moved to White Lake near Detroit. I miss the mountains but am looking forward to attending graduate school for counseling in the near future."

Karen Wienke writes, "I am not in a full-time teaching position, but still working with kids as a youth director in Sandwich, Ill., (sixty miles west of Chicago). I finished the Tentmakers Youth Ministry Program last fall and moved to Illinois in December. I love what I'm doing--touching lives for an eternal future is exciting work!"

CLASS OF '94

Laura Adams wrote in. "I am currently working for the Forest Service near Missoula, Mont., as a firefighter for the summer. Next fall I will be pursuing a degree in wildlife biology at the University of Montana-Missoula."

Jason Anderson updated us last spring. "I am graduating in June 1995 with a degree in electrical engineering. I'm getting married to Laurie Bebeauin in July 1995. We're both moving out to Neenah, Wis., to work for Technology Group, Inc. Laurie is from Blaine, Minn."

Heidi Berg wrote, "In February of '95, I took a job with the Washburn County Department of Social Services as a family based specialist. I now reside in Rice Lake, Wis., and look forward to a great summer in the scenic northwest of Wisconsin!"

Denise Carlson-Thiner and Jason Thiner ('93) married on May 27, 1995. They live in Fargo, N.D.

Gary Greenwell of Eagan, Minn., was killed in a car accident July 19, 1995. As a freshman, he was among those living in Indy 1C with Chancellor Johnson who was awaiting housing in town. Services were held in Eagan. Gary is survived by his parents, siblings and extended family.

Rebecca (Batalden) Heikkila wrote, "I married Jason Heikkila ('94) on June 17, 1995. Jason works at Greentree Financial, and I finished my master's degree and will teach fourth grade in the Canton school district."

Jody Houle writes, "I have accepted a new position at North Shore University Hospital in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. I am enjoying New York City and am looking forward to my engagement in July."

Cathie (Paulsen) Kutter wrote that she received her commission as a second lieutenant in the Minnesota National Guard on July 22, 1995, having completed the guard's Officer Candidate School in Camp Ripley. She finished with top academic and leadership honors. Cathie and her husband, Kevin ('93), live in Roseville, Minn.

Michael Landwehr and Sharon Salfer wrote,

"We are getting married on July 15. I am currently employed at Fort Dodge Labs in Fort Dodge, Iowa, as a raw materials chemist. Sharon has a job waiting for her after we are married as a medical technologist at Trinity Region Hospital in Fort Dodge."

Cindy (Cebulla) and Joseph Luhman wrote us. "Cindy and I were married on June 17, 1995. Cindy works at TCF in downtown Minneapolis and attends graduate school at the U of M. I am a programmer analyst for West Publishing Co."

Dori "DJ" and Michael Maddox ('95) (formerly Michael Herbst) sent this in. "Michael and I were married on August 26, 1995, and currently live in Roseville, Minn. I work as a mental health counselor, and Michael is a software engineer at a computer company. He will start graduate school in the computer science program at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Hi to all!"

Dan Orozco has been accepted into the Directors Guild of America's Assistant Directors Training Program in Los Angeles. He was one of 22 individuals selected from an applicant pool of 1200 for the two-year program.

Kelly Quick e-mailed us. "Hi! I'm alive and as well as can be in Lumberton, Texas. That's in south-east Texas, almost in La. I sure do miss the northern climate! Anyway, I'm now taking graduate classes in kinesiology and should be done before January of 1997. I work at a good-sized movie theatre as their chief projectionist and box office worker. It keeps me out of trouble. Hope to come back north when my master's is complete."

See you guys then!!"

Mara Rutten writes, "Still working on my master's degree in history and working as a teaching assistant." She lives in Murphysboro, Ill.

Stacey Sneider and Ron Luetmer announced their engagement last May. Stacey will begin medical school on the Twin Cities campus this fall.

Sara Veilleux writes, "I graduated winter quarter from Mankato State University with a bachelor of science in speech communication and a minor in music." She lives in Long Lake, Minn.

CLASS OF '95

Mark Balabon and Tina Frey-Balabon ('94) wrote, "We were married in Oyate Hall on June 24, 1995, and leave for Boston in August where Mark will be attending Boston University Law School."

Jamie Ebnet updated us. "I'll be starting my new job at the Prudential Insurance Company in Plymouth, Minn., on July 31st." Jamie now lives in Plymouth.

Michael Whitt writes, "Married June 24, 1995, to Suzy Kary. New townhouse. Grad school in the fall. We hope to study abroad during our master's/Ph.D. quest." Michael currently lives in Apple Valley, Minn.

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Alumni Events Calendar

September 17-20	New Student Orientation (MSP Orientation September 16)
September 21	Classes Begin
October 9	O.T. Driggs Distinguished Lecture 8:15 p.m. Recital Hall, HFA. Guest speaker: Dr. Marilyn Young, "The American War in Vietnam: Twenty Years Later"
October 14	Performing Arts Series Nai Ni Chen Dance Company, 8:15 p.m., Edson Auditorium
October 20-22	Homecoming Weekend Highlights (complete schedule enclosed) Friday: Alumni Career Fair; MSP Alumni Association Reception and Roundtable; Alumni Association Annual Meeting; Homecoming Dance Saturday: Rodney Briggs Tribute; Campus Tailgate; Parade; Game--Cougars vs. Bemidji State Beavers; Alumni Homecoming Reception; Cougar Hall of Fame Reunions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morris Women's Collective/Morris Women's Center/ Women's Resource Center alumni and friends. Contact Clare Strand, 612/589-6026 or 612/589-1453. Oster research project alumni. Contact Edith Farrell, 612/589-6292. Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) alumni and friends. Contact Brian Hanson or Nathan Lief, 612/589-8821. Sunday: Concert Choir and Band performances
November 4	Parents' Day
November 11	Performing Arts Series Ying Quartet, 8:15 p.m., Edson Auditorium
November 28	Campus Convocation Dr. Ivan Van Sertima, 7:30 p.m., Edson Auditorium "African Origins of Early Civilizations"

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Following a visit to Northeast Missouri State University last February, Chancellor David Johnson took time out to meet with UMM alumni living in the area. Left to right: David and Awilda (Wilson) Olson ('92), Lawrence, Kansas; Chancellor Dave; Matrese Benkofske ('84) and Clyde Heppner ('87), Gladstone, Mo. Meeting alumni is one of Dave's favorite pastimes!

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